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Calabria.

Vast Destruction of Property and

Frightful Suffering Among

People.

TERROR, CALLED ON SAINTS

Rushed Madly Into Streets Car-

rying Screaming Children in

Arms-Terrified Prisoners in

Jails Mutinied - Govern-

Trains.

(By Associated Press.)

fering from terrible depression because

of the news from the south, where one

Although the earthquake was felt all

Sicily, the worst news comes from Pizzo

an- Monteleone, and from eighteen vil-

lages, which are said to have been com

pletely destroyed. According to the lates

news received 370 persons have been killed

People Terrified.

The shock was felt at 2:55 o'clock this morning. It lasted for eighteen second

at Catanzaro, and soon thereafter, was

felt at Messina, Reggio, Monteleone, Mar

Zammaro, Cessaniti, Naida, Olivadie and

Scenes of indescribable terror ensued.
Nomen aroused from their sleep, rushed
half clothed into the streets screaming

with fear, carrying their bables and drag-

8 o'clock the streets had almost as-

and in some cases, mutinied, but

Prisoners Mutinied. The general confusion was added to by dreadful cries from the jails where the prisoners were beside themselves, while

About Six Hundred Injured.

the catastrophe, sent \$6,000 for the ale

of the catastrophe, sent 46,000 for the aid of the sufferers.

The magnitude of the earthquake is ever greater than was at thirst supposed.

Wedespread Destruction.

(By Associated Press.)
CATANZARO, PROVINCE OF CALA

earthquake at 2:55 o'clock this morning

caused serious loss of life and widespread

Pizzo, Monteleone, Di Calabria and Mar

tirano, were almost entirely destroyed

At Monteleone Di Calabria, seven persons

were killed outright, and many were in-

jured by the collapse of the prison there. The Pizzo district is said to be almost

The villages of Piscopio and Triparni

great number injured. It is as yet

sible to even estimate the property

Stefacohi, Piscopio, Triparni

occurred to-day.

ment Sending Relief

NEARLY 600 ON

MEN AND WOMEN, IN

VILLAGES WRECKED, DRAG STATUE OF 400 KILLED IN ITO IN STREETS

BIG EARTHQUAKE Mob Then Charged Police Boxes In Kobe, But All Italy Stunned By Terrible Disaster In Later Retired.

EXCITEMENT IN TOKIO DYING DOWN

Government Officers Express Re-LIST OF INJURED gret at Attacks On Christian Churches, and Decide to Publish Peace Terms in Response to Popular Demand.

> Last night's disorders was not par-ticularly serious. Thirteen cars and one railway klosk were destroyed. Thirty persons were wounded during the clashes with the police and many others were elightly wougded by stones in the crushes of the crowds. The disturbance in the Kanda district of the city proved not to be serious. The crowd first threatened to burn the Russian cathedral, but a sergeant of the guard cleverly prevailed upon them to desist by telling the crowd that if the cathedral was destroyed he and the guard would commit suicide. The crowd agreed not to touch the cathedral. rallway klosk were destroyed not to touch the cathedral.

(By Associated Press.)), September 8.—Following anti-peace meeting at Kobe last night. crowd estimated at 100 went to the Mina togwa Temple, where a statue to Marquis Ito had been recently erected, attache a rope to the statue, pulled it from its pedestal and dragged it through the streets. The crowd then charged three police boxes, where there was some fighting. This was followed by much excitement and disorder. Later dis-

serious.

The police report one rioter killed, one sevorely wounded and sixty arrested in the Hon Jo and Fakagwa districts since midnight.

. Tokio Ouiet.

At noon, the city is quiet. Complete re-ports from metropolitan and outlying dis-tricts indicate that there was no disorder throughout the night or early morning The quietness of the night is ascribed t there is danger of the destruction of cars The government has suspended a tota

with fear, carrying their bables and drag-ging along their other children and call-ling for help on the Madonna and the saints. The men escaped into the open with their families, all calling on their favorite saints for protection. The cafes were taken by assault by the strangely garbed crowd, but as daylight broke without a repetition of the carthquase, the crowd gradually melted away until w \$ o'clock the streets had almost asthat publications and the letter class of Japanese citizens are expressing keen regret over the attacks on Christian churches. They explain that the affair churches are letter to local conditions and anti-foreign sumed their normal appearance, except in the ruined villages where the inhabi-tants had no homes to go to. was the result of local conditions and does not indicate a serious anti-foreign or anti-Christian feeling.

Churches Destroyed.

fright and in some cases, mutmed, but fortunately all were kept within bounds. Troops, engineers and doctors have been hurried to the scenes of disaster to assist in the work of rescue and saïvage. The ministry of the interior sent 44,000 for the relief of the destitute, and Minister of Public Works Ferraris left for Telepheta, this evening.

and fences and carried part of the turni-ture into the street and burned it. The Yonokura and Eamachio Churches in Wilhon Bashi-were burned.

Cholera Situation.

BERLIN, September 8.—An official bulletin announces that nincteen new cases of cholera, and seven deaths were reported during the twenty four hours ending at noon, making a total of one hundred and twenty-three cases and their-value deaths.



THE COTTON SITUATION.

TARTARS SHOT IN | CLERKS SIGNED MASSES BY TROOPS

of Wreckage and Looting, However.

Fierce Fighting and Great Slaughter at Hospitals-Mobs Capture Guns.

BAKU, CAUCASIA, September 8.— Street fighting continued until late last night, 'The consulates, banks and gov-Balakhan was completely burned out after the Tartars had plundered it of everything valuable. Although shot down in masses by the artillery, the Tartars were not deterred from their work of wreckage and looting.

Fierce fighting and great slaughter oc-curred at the Balakan nospital, workmen gathered: kin sent a detachment, of ar-tillery with three guns to the scene and the commander of the detachment

and the commander of the detachment summoned the crowd to surrender.

The latter replied with volleys of stones and some shots, which killed one of the gunners. The commander of the troops thereupon, opened fire. The maddened crowd charged the guns and captured them after deluging the gunners with burning oil. The latter then fied.

PLEMIPOTENTIARIES GIVE GREAT SUM FOR CHARITY

CONCORD, N. H., Sept. 8.—Letters from the Russian and Japanese pence plenipotentiaries on the eye of their leparture from this country, which ac-wrote in cordial appreciation of the hos-pitality and courtesy shown them by the State.

GIVEN TEN YEARS FOR A VERY BRUTAL MURDER

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL. TENN.. September 8.-At Mountain City, near Bristol, Joff Church has been sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for the murder of James Campbell, The citizens are said to be indignant over the verdict. The murder was a britial one, Church having trampled his victim's face while the latter was pleading for mercy after he had been shot twelve times.

rienced, but it was slighter than that in Calabria. The earthquake centered in Calabria, destroying over twenty-five villages, leaving thousands absolutely destitute, killing upwards of four hundred and wounding nearly six hundred. The province of Calabria is very mountainous and is given over almost entirely to agriculture. The people there are very poor, but industrious. The extent of the disaster they have suffered cannot as yet be clearly stated, as many of the telegraph lines are down. King Victor Emmanuel, who is sojourning at Wallambrosa, as soon as he learned of the catastrophe, sent 46,000 for the aid. DYNAMITE EXPLOSION PROBABLY FATAL TOTWO

BRIA, ITALY, September 8 .- A violent The Explosive Left Under a Blacksmith's Bench, Goes Off Mysteriously. destruction in Calabria, The towns of

Mysteriously.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PULASKI, VA., Sept. S.—An explosition of dynamite that shock all the houses in the town occurred in the blacksmith shop of the Pulaski Iron Company at their building recently erected in Jackson's Hollow along the line of a railroad dent of this pace, was horribly mangled and died in a few minutes, and his clevel en-year-old son was soriously if not fatally injured. Goins had just gone to work for the company at 9 o'clock this morning. His son had brought his dinner and was sitting on the ties outside the shop. Goins was engaged in heading drift holts. It seems that some imployee of the company had left a box partly filled with dynamite under the vise bench at which Goins was working. What caused the explosion will never be clearly known, but the shop was blown to atoms and portions thereof hurled a hundred yards away. A porch on a negro house nearby was forn down and a negro woman luckily escaped death by having just stopped-inside her house. Doctors and citizens of the town were soon on the scene and the officials of the company tild overything possible for the injured son. Goins leaves a widow and five small children. The Pizzo district is said to be almost entirely destroyed.

Locally, the shocks lasted eighteen seconds. The walls of the hospital here collapsed and some of the patients were injured. The inhabitants of this city fled panic stricken from their houses.

All the houses at Stefaconi have been wrecked by the earthquake. It is feared that a hundred people are buried in the rulns.

THE ARMY WORM IN NORTH CAROLINA

Attacks the Cotton Fields and Many Are Completely. Stripped.

(By Associated Press.) CHARLOTTE, N. C., September 8.-A special to the Observer from Newbern, N. C., says that the army worm appeared in Craven county, North Carolina, ten days ago, and has already destroyed \$25,000 worth of cotton in the fields, many fields being completely stripped. The pest is spreading, and numbers of farmers will lose almost their entire crops, Spraying has been resorted to.

SOUTH CAROLINA SENATOR SHOOTS WELL-KNOWN MAN

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. S.—A special from Saluda, S. C., says that Joe Ben Coleman, a well known citizen of that town, was shot and it is believed fatally injured by State Senator E. S. Blease. The encounter was on the main street and Coleman received four wounds. Blease surrendered to the shoriff. No further particulars are known here.

Landlords Sign Pledge. MONTGOMERY, ALA. September 8.— The landlords of Montgomery county have signed a pledge to take cotton of their tenants at ten cents.

FOR \$2,335,000

By Officers of New York Life Company.

BALAKHAN DESTROYED BY FIRE LAWSON LIKELY TO TESTIFY A FIELD AGENT IS CHOSEN

New York Committee May Invite Frenzied Financier to Tell What He Knows.

(By Associated Press.)

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NEW YORK, September 8.—To-day's session of the Logislative Life Insurance investigating Committee was devoted exclusively to the affairs of the New York Life Insurance Company, and a searching examination was made, of its officers who appeared on the stand.

Beginning with the salaries paid to the officers, which it was shown had been largely increased, the line of inquiry extended through all the details of the company's participation in various underwriting syndicates for railroad securities, the New York Life's connection with trust companies, and finally, near the close of the day, developed the fact that it was not an unusual thing for clerks or messengers in the employ of the company, with salaries as low as \$500 a year, to sign notes for millions of dollars, to be used by the company in relieving its books of undestrable securities.

Lawson May Testify.

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Committee of the New York Life, tes-tified at length as to syndicate agree-ments, defending them as beneficial

Atlantic Coast Line Bonds.

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The participation of the New York Life to the amount of \$3,000,000 in the syndicate that handled bonds of the Atlantic Coast Line was taken up. Mr. Claffin explained he could not remember details of the transactions.

The managers of the Atlantic Coast Line were issuing \$10,000,000 bonds to leading banks of New York and the New York Life at \$41,088 one-half per cent; and later at \$91, less one per cent. The finance committee of the New York Life atthorized the treasurer to take \$2,000,000 of these bonds. The collateral of the Atlantic Coast Line was Louisville and Nashville slock.

Nashville stock.
On this deal, Mr. Claffin said, the New York Life made a profit. He said: "If the New York Life were to dispose of its holdings carefully and slowly as an individual would. I have no doubt, that all such holdings could be sold at a price equal to that for which they were pur-chased."

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It was declared that since 1899, the New York Life Insurance Company had not been connected with trust companies, but subsequently, it was admitted that the stock of the New York Trust Company is now held for the New York Life by a committee of trustees.

The committee adjourned this afternoon until 10:30 o'clock next Tuesday morning.

WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 22 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 6 are as follows:

4 Trades, 5 Domestics, 1 Salesman, 8 Miscellaneous 2 Agents. 2 Office.

This not only interests those out of york, but those desiring to improve work, but those desiring their positions as well.

Insurgents Not Deterred in Work Remarkable Transaction Revealed The Object is to Distribute Its Sale Over the Entire

His Business Will Be to Raise Funds for the Association's Work.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., September 8 .- Th first annual convention of the Southern Cotton Association closed to-night at o'clock with a banquet tendered to the

The afternoon and night sessions were ous resolutions, chief of which was one looking to an increase in membership dues from 25 cents to \$1 a year. resolution offered by Colonel J. McMartin and adopted recommends that great

er publicity be given to article 1, section 1, of the constitution, which calls attention to the fact that the Southern Cotton Association is an organization composed, not only of growers, but also of manufacturers and farmers.

Mr. McMartin's resolution further states that the chief object of the association is "the industrial development and supremacy of the cotton States," and tythis end the government should be urged to bulld better Southern harbors.

Sell Cotton Slowly.

An important feature of this after-

An important feature of this after-noon's session was the adoption of a motion made by E. D. Smith, of South Carolina, to the effect that all members of the association be urged to mar ket their cotton, even at the minimum price, as slowly as possible, so as to dis tribute the sale of the staple over entire year instead of marketing crop in ninety days, as has been custom. In 'this way, the highest p possible above the minimum could

tween the advocates of Asheville and Hot Springs, by the terms of which the win ter meeting convenes at the latter place while Asheville gets the summer meet

Peters Will Resign.

The matter of Vice-President Peters's resignation was again touched upon to-night, and although the discussion was conducted in secret session, it is under-

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MR. GILMER DEFEATED

Beaten for Commonwealth's Attorney By A. D. Dabney. Foxy Rogers Wins.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., September, S.—To-day's Democratic primary for municipal officers brought out a very large vote, and resulted in the nomination of the following: Treasurer, Charles H. Walker; Commonwealth's attorney, Archibald D. Dabney; sergeant, C. W. Rogers; commissioner of revenue, D. W. Fowler; clerk of court, R. W. Duke; constable, R. E. Jeffries; justice of the peace, W. Sam. Burnley.

The surprise of the day was the de-

The surprise of the day was the de-cisive defeat of Mr. Frank Gilmer, who has been Commonwealth's attorney

has been Commonwealth's attorney of charlottesville for the past sixteen years—in fact, ever since Charlottesville became a city.

The nominee of to-day's primary is only twenty—six years of age, the son of the late Walter D. Dabney, who succeeded John B. Minor as professor of law in the University of Virginia.

Charles H. Walker, perhaps the ablest treasurer the city has ever had, was closely pressed by Fred, W. Twyman, a bookkeeper in the People's National Bank and one of the most popular young men in the city. Mr. Walker's majority was only 21 in a total of nearly 700 votes.

FUSION WINS IN NORFOLK AGAIN

County Organization and the Candidates Given Them by Committee

COMPLETE OFFICIAL RETURNS ARE ALL IN

Majorities of All Leading Candidates Increased-State Committee Completes Its Labors and Adjourns-Mr. Sebrell Maks a Gallant Fight for "Straightouts."

Complete Official Return	s
For Senator— , Martin	46,691 36,307
Martin's majority	10,384
Swanson	42,638 20,485 20,083
Swanson's majority Swanson's plurality over Mann, Mann's plurality over Willard., For Lieutenant-Governor—	2,070 22,153 402
Ellyson	60,758 18,365
Ellyson's majority	42,393
Anderson	48,940 30,767
Anderson's majority	18,173
For SuperIntendent Public Instruct Eggleston	56,968
Eggleston's majority	35,729
The Democratic State Committee	

completed the compilation of the official returns; settled the Norfolk county con-tests by the recognition of all the 'Fusion' candidates, and the committee russon cannates, and the committee elected by that wing of the party and at 4 o'clock P. M. ndjourned sine die.

The belated returns from Alexandria county came in, and these, with those from Norfolk county, increases the lead of all the winning candidates for United

of all the winning candidates for United States senator and State officials.

The entire session of the body was taken up with the consideration of the Norfolk county matter and nearly all the morning by Mr. John N. Sebrell, Jr., counsel for the "Straightouts."

Mr. Sebrell's argument was an exceptionally strong one, and while he was listened to with attention, he falled to way, his Jury. Indeed, there were only about four members who voted with him. They were Messrs. Sears of Mathews; Williams, of Mecklenburg; Wallace, of Fredericksburg, and Downing of Lancaster.

all made strong speeches in favor of giving Mr. Sebrell time in which to make up his case, he having only received the specifications from the contestants one day prior to the meeting of the com-

As to Jurisdiction.

The burden of Mr. Sebrell's contention The burden of Mr. Sobrell's contention first was that taking the Amberst case just decided as a precedent, the committee had only an appellate jurisdiction, the Norfolk case not having been tried before the local committee.

The committee, however, under the lead of Judge R. T. W. Duke and Judge Asa D. Watkina, decided to take original jurisdiction, and then Mr. Sebrell plended of Judge R. T. W. Duke the lead of Judge R. T. W. Duke the leader of the leader

evidence and could not make

"Straightouts" rejected.
At the end, Mr. Sebrell made an impassioned speech, is which he promised that his clients and their friends would support all the nominees recognized by the committee, if the other side would agree to renounce Alvah H. Martin, the Republican county clerk, and support Senator E. F. Cromwell for that position.

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PALMER KICKED OUT; RICKETTS IN CHARGE IN CHARLOTTESVILLE

Foreman Public Printer Attempted to Remove Succeeds Him. Summary Action.

(By Associated Press.) OYSTER BAY, N. Y., September 8 .-President Roosevelt this afternoon took

summary action in the case of Frank W. Palmer, the public printer and head of the government printing office at Wash-

the government printing office at Washington by removing him from office.

Last Monday, the President directed Mr.
Palmer to send to man his resignation, to
take effect on the 15th Instant. At the
same time, he directed him not to take
any further action in the cases of Oscar
J. Ricketts, foreman of printing, and L.
C. Hay, a division foreman in the government printing office, whose resignations
Mr. Palmer had requested.
In direct disobedience of the President's

Mr. Palmer had requested.

In direct disobedience of the President's Instructions, Mr. Palmer, on the 5th 'nstant, notified Ricketts and Hay that the time which they might have in which to answer his charges would be extended until Saturday, the 5th, instant, As this was a violation of the President's specific instructions, and as the case of Ricketts and Hay had been placed in the hands of the Keet Commission for investigation. iank and one of the most popular young and flay induced patent in the city. Mr. Walker's majority of the Keep Commission for investigations as only 21 in a total of nearly 700 totes.

"Foxy" Rogers had no opposition for "Foxy" Rogers had no opposition for investigation of the Keep Commission for investigations as only 21 in a total of nearly 700 total popular young and flay induced in the Fresident feet it was time to take positive action regarding Mr. Palmer. He, therefore, removed him from office by regeant.

SAYS SAUNDERS NAMED NINE OF PRIMARY JUDGES

This One of the Striking Features of Royall Petition.

ASKS DISMISSAL OF ELECTORAL BUARD

Failure of the Body to Appoint Better Men When Urged to Severely Criticised.

CONFERENCE AT JAIL IN INTEREST OF SMITH

Charge That Election Officers Met There to Block Out Voters-Syrcle's Activity and and the Payment of Poll Taxes.

The petition of Mr. William L. Royall, asking for a new city primary, on the grounds that the late one was tainted with fraud, is in the hands of Mr. Duke, secretary of the City Democratic Com-

Mr. Royall brought it last night in person to Murphy's Hotel, where the com mittee met, but arrived just after its

ture that the public may have anticipated, and in substance it has been already tion with the recent grand jury investi-gation, Accompanying the petition are

Attracts Much Attention.

When, last night, Mr. Royall entered Murphy's Hotel he was the subject of considerable attention. Nearly every member of the City Democratic Com-

Duke to hold the petition until the next neeting, which will be held on October th. The members of the committee then cent their different ways.

Text of the Petition.

Appended is the petition; To the City Democratic Commistee; As a citizen of Richmond and a Demo-cratic voter thereof, I move the Commit-20, 1905, and to direct a new primary election upon the grounds that said election was so tainted with fraud throughout that the result of the same is left in doubt. I also move the committee to petition the judge of the Hustings Court to remove from office the present electoral board and to appoint a new electoral board, who will under no circumstances appoint election officers like Jackson Wise, J. W. Pervial, J. II. Beverlage and Peter Krug. I ask that the Committee be summoned to consider this application at the earliest possible date.

It is a matter of common knowledge 20, 1905, and to direct a new primary

this application at the earliest possible date.

It is a matter of common knowledge that the grand jury reported at the Hustings Court at its July term that in said election many ballots were stolen from Calborne Epps and T. W. McCaw, candidates for the office of city sergeant, and given to J. C. Smith, candidate for the same office, at the third precedent of Monroe Ward and that the Second Precinct of Lee Ward, and that many ballots were stolen in said election from other candidates for office of Commonwealth attorney and given to Minitee Folices, candidate for same office.

tree Folkes, candidate for same office.

Did Not Go Far Enough.

The grand jury did not prosecute its investigations in regard to the other precincts far enough to determine whether there was or was not sufficient fraud at the other precincts to affect the results of the election, so that those results are left in doubt as to the other precincts. But all or most of the evidence submitted to you herewith was submitted to the grand jury, and when that evidence is fairly and partially considered, it is plain that the whole election is so covered over with suspicion and distrust that no one can feel any assurance that the result of the election has been ascertained.

It is not therefore a question of whether sufficient fraud was shown at Third Monroe Ward and Second Lee Ward to change the result, but the true question is this, does not the evidence show such a condition of things as to destroy all confidence in the result and make any may know with certainty what is the will of the people?

In getting together the evidence that I present to you I have been at great disadvantage. The ridiculous and absurd regulations, legacies of medieval barbarism, that prevent the people from Did Not Go Far Enough.

At Martirano there were many victims, but the number is unknown. Out of a population of a little over 8,000 there are 1,200 without shelter. Villages Destroyed.

(By Associated Press.)
MONTELECONE, DI CALABRIA, ITA-LY, September 8.—The villages of Brai-ico, Sanfoo, Sancostantino and Conidoni are completely destroyed in the earth-quake. The number of victims in these places exceeds fifty.